

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An Internet facsimile apparatus for receiving e-mail data and connected to a computer network, the Internet facsimile apparatus comprising:

an e-mail receiver that receives e-mail data transmitted via the computer network, the e-mail data including a header, document information and image information;

a determiner that determines whether or not the document information contains predetermined data indicating that the e-mail data was transmitted from an Internet facsimile apparatus; and

a printer that prints the entire received e-mail data when said determiner determines that the document information does not contain the predetermined data, and that prints only the image information when said determiner determines that the document information contains the predetermined data.

2. The Internet facsimile apparatus according to claim 1, a content of the predetermined data is "this mail is accompanied by TIFF-format image data".

3. The Internet facsimile apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a document information determiner that determines whether or not the document information is contained in the e-mail data received by said e-mail receiver,

wherein said printer prints only the image information when said document information determiner determines that the document information is not contained in the e-mail data.

4. The Internet facsimile apparatus according to claim 1, said predetermined data indicating that the mail is accompanied by TIFF-format image data.

5. A method for receiving e-mail data, using an Internet facsimile apparatus connected to a computer network, the method comprising:

receiving e-mail data transmitted via the computer network, the e-mail data including a header, document information and image information;

determining whether or not the document information contains predetermined data indicating that the e-mail data was transmitted from an Internet facsimile apparatus;

printing the entire received e-mail data when the determining determines that the document information does not contain the predetermined data; and

printing only the image information when the determining determines that the document information contains the predetermined data.

6. The method according to claim 5, a content of the predetermined data is "this mail is accompanied by TIFF-format image data".

7. The method according to claim 5, further comprising:

determining whether or not the document information is contained in the received e-mail data,

wherein the printing prints only the image information when the determining determines that the document information is not contained in the e-mail data.

8. The method according to claim 5, the predetermined data indicating that the mail is accompanied by the TIFF-format image data.